

WIAMA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

September 25th, 2013

Tri-County Arena, Neenah, WI

Members Present: Jim Arnold, Aaron Mull, Nancy Hacker, Bob Schreiber, Paul Trebiatowski
Jason Woods, Ryan Blick, Eric Baltramonas, Don Chilson

Members Excused: Bud Sheldon, Mike Elam

Others Present: Don Mulder

President Bob Schreiber called the meeting to order at 10:46 a.m.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Aaron Mull, he requested that we add the topic of a survey to the agenda. Bob said we will add the topic under new business. Jim Arnold seconded the motion with the addition of the survey topic. The motion carried.

Secretary's Report: Motion to approve the secretary's report was made by Jim Arnold and seconded by Jason Woods. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Paul Trebiatowski and seconded by Jason Woods. The motion carried.

Income:	9,016.93
Expenses:	<u>1,749.78</u>
Total:	7,267.15

Old Business: Recruitment of new rinks; Don Mulder President of WAHA was present at the meeting. We are hoping that WAHA can help us get the word out to especially the volunteer rinks about WIAMA. WIAMA really would like to see these rinks become a part of WIAMA to help educate these rinks on the implications of possible laws that could be coming soon regarding air quality in ice arenas and some of the other issues surrounding rink management. Nancy will forward Don Mulder a list of the non members and he will work to help us get the word out. Jim Arnold feels that we need to continue to have ongoing conversations with WAHA members and we need to figure out how we can keep that going. Ryan Blick suggested that we get to the regional meetings so that we can get the information out to WAHA that way. Jason Woods has volunteered to update the WIAMA brochure that lists all of the previous spring and fall fire up educational sessions that we have done. We could then hand that out at the WAHA regional meetings.

Fall Fire Up: Jim felt it was beneficial to have the class and then the test for CIT renewal. Aaron Mull did a fantastic job hosting the event at the Greenheck Arena. Thanks Aaron! Places we could hold the 2014 Fall Fire Up could be the Kohl Center or Cornerstone Arena. Nancy will contact Dale Hansen to see when their school will be next fall. Would there be a chance that we could combine the two?

Bylaws: An email was sent out to the entire membership so that we can get a committee together to try to update our bylaws. We would like to keep this as email meetings as much as possible. Who is going to head up the committee? Eric Baltramonas will put the two documents together (the original bylaws and the board of directors' duties document). The entire board will make up the committee along with Tom Hammill and Dave Patton. Bob has spoken with his attorney to see if he will help us out and do it pro-bono.

Website: The Sportngin account has been paid for and now we need to just begin to build our site. Nancy has said that she is working on trying to find time to watch the demo's on how to add content but hasn't been successful in finding the time right now. Ryan Blick said that he has worked with the Sportngin program for the Fond du Lac rink and would be happy to help get our website started. Eric Baltramonas also said that he would help as well.

Spring Conference: Eric will send out another draft of the agenda. Nancy will send the board a copy of the catering menu so that they can look it over to see where we might be able to cut some costs from the conference. Our typical Tuesday evening before the conference will be cut out this year to save on hotel costs as well, we will instead meet early Wednesday morning to go over last minute details and to stuff folders for the conference. The Thursday morning topics this last year were very well received and the board felt that we should follow the same format for Thursday morning again this year. Jim Arnold or Bed Sheldon will speak with Susi and Kevin to see if they will be willing to be at the conference again this year. Be sure to ask Susi if she would like on ice or classroom. It is about 99% sure that we will have ice for the conference at Poppy Waterman Arena. Mike Elam suggested a possible on ice demonstration for the vendors on Friday. Topic ideas for the conference should be sent to Eric. Don Chilson suggested a very basic refrigeration session. R22 phase out would be another good topic. Speakers could be the Gillespie's or maybe Krueger from Kuhlman, Gary Bye or Tom Bachman, possibly Tom Hammill. Jim Arnold will contact STAR to ask them about a refrigeration session. A session from Dale Carnegie training might be good for the rest of Thursday morning. For a keynote speaker this year we could do something about the Olympics or maybe even ask Dan Ahearn to speak.

NARCE: Jason said it was different because there were not a lot of Wisconsin people at the convention. The hotel was not as good as it had been in the past. Next year's location for

NARCE will be Columbus Ohio. We should make sure that we have something to giveaway at the booth next year, pens, something small that has WIAMA on it.

Flyer: Jason will be working on re-doing the WIAMA flyer that lists the topics that have been covered at past conferences and Fall Fire Ups.

New Business: Aaron Mull felt that it would be a good idea to try to put together a survey to get all the rinks in the state to take and maybe even try to get the youth hockey associations to take it as well. Don questioned the value of doing a survey, he thought that it might be more productive to split the state up and have everyone make telephone calls to get the word out about WIAMA. It was also suggested that we have more of a presence at the district meetings for WAHA.

Next meeting: Will be held October 30th 10:30 a.m. at the Oshkosh YMCA.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jason seconded by Aaron, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.